Eighth Five Year Plan and its Mid-Term Appraisal

*147. SHRI V. RAJAN CHELLAPPA: SHRI SANJAY DALMIA:

Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 787 given in the Rajya Sabha on 7th August, 1995, and state;

(a) whether the mid-term appraisal of Eighth Five Year Plan has since been completed;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the shortfall in various sectors, sectorwise; and

(c) the manner in which the shortfall is proposed to be met?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise at this Stage.

Land Brought under Cofee Plantation

*148. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total hectares of land in the districts of undivided Koraput, Kalahandi and Bolangir districts in Orissa brought under coffee plantation so far;

(b) whether Government propose to bring some additional areas in the State under coffee plantation;

(c) if so, the targets fixed for the purpose for the Eighth Five Year Plan;

(d) the achievements made in that direction; and

(e) the details of the efforts made to bring more areas in Orissa under coffee plantation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) The total hectarage under coffee in the undivided districts of Koraput, Kalahandi and Bolangir is as follows:—

District	Hectarage
Koraput	745
Kalahandi	278
Bolangir	NIL

(b) to (c) Yes, Sir. During the Eighth Five Year Plan target has been fixed at 5000 hectares for areas expansion of coffee cultivation in non-traditional States which includes Orissa. A total of 1407 hectares have been brought under coffee in Orissa till date. In order to □opularize coffee cultivation in Orissa and to impart necessary know-now to the growers, Coffee Board has established a Coffee Demonstration Farm at Koraput which also provides extension support to the growers. A Regional Coffee Research Station has also been established in Raghavendra Nagar in Andhra Pradesh which provides necessary technical support to the coffee growing areas in Orissa.

Domestic Prices of Wheat and Rice

*149. SHRI GUNDAPPA KORWAR: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) the domestic prices of wheat and rice during the period in which these commodities were exported by FCI;

(b) whether Food Coporation of India has not been able to move wehat from the Centre to other parts of the country specially in the hilly areas;

(c) whether Government have set up a high level committee to fix a separate export price for foodgrains to facilitate their easy sale; and

(d) if so, the recommendations if any, made by the Committee?